

# Bulletin 14

## ANC TEAM FINALS

OPEN	C/F	1-10	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60
NSW	20	33	47	63	75	95	108
WA	-	29	50	97	140	164	197
WOMEN	C/F	1-10	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60
NSW	14	53	54	93	93	103	135
QLD	-	29	46	49	77	98	121
SENIOR	C/F	1-10	11-20	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60
SA	-	39	47	66	85	135	137
VIC	-	51	74	87	113	144	182
YOUTH	C/F	-	-	21-30	31-40	41-50	51-60
VIC	1	-	-	42	59	98	119
NSW	-	-	-	12	51	65	87

## Grand Slam

Jim Borin

DLR: SOUTH VUL: E/W

J85		
T		
KJT96		
QJ32		
73		942
J32		K985
A7542		Q83
874		T95
	AKQT6	
	AQ764	
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	AK6	

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			2C
PASS	2D	PASS	2S
PASS	3S	PASS	4H
PASS	4S	PASS	5H
PASS	6S	PASS	7S

LEAD: 3S

In a fitting climax to the Australian National Championships (ANC) in Perth, the host state surprised the warm favourites, NSW, to easily take out the premier event, the Open Teams. WA won each of the six 10-board segments to win by 89 IMP's

An excellent venue, the Rendezvous Hotel built by Alan Bond, together with superb organisation and strong support from local bridge players combined to make this ANC one of the best ever. It also halted a disturbing trend in recent years to locate the event in other than a quality hotel.

Justice can also said to have been done on this deal from the qualifying stage when Martin Doran engineered a huge gain for Victoria in the Open making a grand slam that went down at the other table.

Having given a negative response to the game force opening Henry Sawicki's raise to the three level was more encouraging than bidding game immediately. This encouraged Doran to head slamwards. Correctly interpreting 5H as looking for help in that suit Sawicki jumped to slam. Hoping to find four trumps and the KH in dummy Doran optimistically converted to the 'grand'. West avoided the temptation of trying to cash the (DIAMOND) A in favour of trump, the only lead to threaten the contract. With only two ruffs available, declarer had to decide whether to take the heart finesse or cash the ace and play for the Kxx with either player. The 4-3 break, itself only an approximate 40% chance, was a pre-requisite, and the king being with the four card holding was around twice as likely.

Doran knew his odds and rising with the (SPADE) J he played a heart to the Queen. When this held he was over the first hurdle. He trumped a heart in dummy, returned to hand with a diamond ruff to trump another heart. When both opponents followed suit he was home. A club to hand allowed him to draw trumps and claim with the rest, the heart loser going away on a club. At my table where Bobby Richman also led a trump declarer took the anti-percentage line of playing hearts from the top, eventually losing a trick to the King. This massive swing was not enough to get Victoria into the final and we had to settle for third place as did our Women's teams.

There was better news from our Seniors (over 55) and Juniors (under 25). Both squads were successful. Victor Muntz/Stano Klofa, Gary Ridgway/David Happell, David White/John Pettitt accounted for South Australia in the Seniors by winning 182 to 137. Tim Lee/Ben Barned, Leigh Gold/Hakan Lynsgo, Kenneth Wan/Kevin Chan with Cathy Mill as non-playing captain beat New South Wales 119 to 87.

This article will appear in the Age on 31<sup>st</sup> July 1999. Thanks to Jim Borin.



## Can you beat this?

Rena Kaplan must be in the running for some sort of prize for endurance. She played in all stages of the Butler (400+ boards). Following this she played in the Women's Pairs (56 boards) and then played most sessions of the Interstate Teams - plus finals -(in the winning NSW team) - another 300+ boards. Not satisfied with that marathon effort, she played another 50 boards in the Mixed Pairs. She told me she was somewhat bridged out by Saturday evening!!

## ANC Mixed Pairs 1999

### Session 1

Place	Players	%	Score
1	GREENFELD, YOVICH	63.78	398
2	DAHLER, MCDONALD	63.62	397
3	ROBB, BROWNE	63.62	397
4	LIM, LIM	57.05	356
5	MOSES, MOSES	54.97	343
6	SNASHALL, SNASHALL	54.17	338
7	COLLINS, KLOFA	54.17	338
8	BEALE, VAN RIEL	54.01	337
9	KAPLAN, EVANS	52.72	329
10	GERDAN, LYNGSJO	52.56	328
11	MALINAS, MALINAS	52.56	328
12	URBACH, SHERMAN	52.08	325
13	BRION, BAILEY	51.60	322
14	MERVEN, DUTTON	50.96	318
15	FUTAESAKU, CHIN	48.88	305
16	FOLKARD, MCMANUS	47.92	299
17	MITCHELL, ALI	46.47	290
18	MOSES, THOMPSON	45.51	284
19	BEECH, RAMSHAW	45.35	283
20	BELONOGOFF, MATTHEWS	44.87	280
21	GRAY, GRAY	44.07	275
22	SHILBURY, HANSEN	43.59	272
23	OLDHAM, KEMP	40.06	250
24	FRENKEL, SAWICKI	39.90	249
25	BOSTON, WEBBER	37.98	237
26	MILL, MILL	37.50	234

### Session 2

Place	Players	%	Score
1	GREENFELD, YOVICH	57.47	729
2	DAHLER, MCDONALD	53.65	706
3	BEALE, VAN RIEL	63.19	701
4	BRION, BAILEY	61.81	678
5	KAPLAN, EVANS	59.55	672
6	ROBB, BROWNE	45.83	661
7	URBACH, SHERMAN	55.38	644
8	MOSES, MOSES	51.56	640
9	LIM, LIM	47.74	631
10	MERVEN, DUTTON	53.47	626
11	MALINAS, MALINAS	50.17	617
12	FOLKARD, MCMANUS	54.86	615
13	SNASHALL, SNASHALL	48.09	615
14	MITCHELL, ALI	54.34	603
15	BELONOGOFF, MATTHEWS	56.08	603
16	COLLINS, KLOFA	44.27	593
17	GERDAN, LYNGSJO	43.75	580
18	FUTAESAKU, CHIN	47.57	579
19	BEECH, RAMSHAW	50.00	571
20	MOSES, THOMPSON	46.88	554
21	FRENKEL, SAWICKI	51.91	548
22	GRAY, GRAY	44.62	532
23	SHILBURY, HANSEN	43.92	525
24	OLDHAM, KEMP	39.06	475
25	MILL, MILL	38.54	456
26	BOSTON, WEBBER	36.28	446

